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Behavioral Health and Substance Use, Spring 2020 Measure Review Cycle

Measure Evaluation Standing Committee Meeting

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Welcome



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Agenda

- Introductions and Disclosures of Interest
- Measures Under Review
- Overview of Evaluation Process and Voting Process
- Consideration of Candidate Measures
- NQF Member and Public Comment
- Related and Competing Measures
- Next Steps
- Adjourn

Introductions and Disclosures of Interest

Behavioral Health and Substance Use Spring 2020 Cycle Standing Committee

- Peter Briss, MD, MPH, (Co-chair)
- Harold Pincus, MD (Co-chair)
- Mady Chalk, PhD, MSW
- David Einzig, MD
- Julie Goldstein Grumet, PhD
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- Constance Horgan, ScD
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- Kraig Knudsen, PhD
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- Brooke Parish, MD
- David Pating, MD
- Vanita Pindolia, PharmD
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- Jeffery Susman, MD
- Michael Trangle, MD
- Bonnie Zima, MD, MPH
- Leslie S. Zun, MD, MBA

Measures Under Review

Spring 2020 Cycle Measures

- **2 Maintenance Measures for Committee Review**
 - ▣ **0108** Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (NCQA)
 - ▣ **2803** Tobacco Use and Help with Quitting Among Adolescents (NCQA)
- **1 New Measure for Committee Review**
 - ▣ **3572** Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization (Mathematica)

Overview of Evaluation Process



Roles of the Standing Committee ***During the Evaluation Meeting***

- Act as a proxy for the NQF multistakeholder membership
- Work with NQF staff to achieve the goals of the project
- Evaluate each measure against each criterion
 - ▣ Indicate the extent to which each criterion is met and rationale for the rating
- Make recommendations regarding endorsement to the NQF membership
- Oversee the portfolio of BHSU measures



Ground Rules for Today's Meeting

During the discussions, Committee members should:

- Be prepared, having reviewed the measures beforehand
- Base evaluation and recommendations on the measure evaluation criteria and guidance
- Remain engaged in the discussion without distractions
- Attend the meeting at all times
- Keep comments concise and focused
- Allow others to contribute



Process for Measure Discussion and Voting

- Brief introduction by measure developer (3-5 minutes)
- Lead discussants will begin Committee discussion for each criterion by:
 - ▣ Briefly explaining information on the criterion provided by the developer
 - ▣ Providing a brief summary of the pre-meeting evaluation comments
 - ▣ Emphasizing areas of concern or differences of opinion
 - ▣ Noting, if needed, the preliminary rating by NQF staff
 - » This rating is intended to be used as a guide to facilitate the Committee's discussion and evaluation.
- Developers will be available to respond to questions at the discretion of the Committee
- Full Committee will discuss, then vote on the criterion, if needed, before moving on to the next criterion

Endorsement Criteria

- **Importance to Measure and Report (Evidence and Performance Gap):** Extent to which the measure focus is evidence-based and important to making significant gains in healthcare quality where there is variation in or overall less-than-optimal performance (**must-pass**)
- **Scientific Acceptability (Reliability and Validity):** Extent to which the measure produces consistent (reliable) and credible (valid) results about the quality of care when implemented (**must-pass**)
- **Feasibility:** Extent to which the specifications require data that are readily available or could be captured and implemented without undue burden
- **Usability and Use:** Extent to which the measure is being used for both accountability and performance improvement to achieve the goal of high-quality, efficient healthcare (**must-pass** for maintenance measures).
- **Comparison to related or competing measures:** If a measure meets the above criteria and there are endorsed or new related measures or competing measures, the measures are compared to address harmonization and/or selection of the best measure.



Voting on Endorsement Criteria

- Votes will be taken after the discussion of each criterion
- **Importance to Measure and Report**
 - ▣ Vote on Evidence (must pass)
 - ▣ Vote on Performance Gap (must pass)
 - ▣ Vote on Rationale - Composite measures only
- **Scientific Acceptability Of Measure Properties**
 - ▣ Vote on Reliability (must pass)
 - ▣ Vote on Validity (must pass)
 - ▣ Vote on Quality Construct - Composite measures only
- **Feasibility**
- **Usability and Use**
 - ▣ Use (must pass for maintenance measures)
 - ▣ Usability



Voting on Endorsement Criteria (continued)

- **Related and Competing Discussion**
- **Overall Suitability for Endorsement**
- **Procedural Notes**
 - ▣ If a measure fails on one of the must-pass criteria, there is no further discussion or voting on the subsequent criteria for that measure; Committee discussion moves to the next measure.
 - ▣ If consensus is not reached, discussion continues with the next measure criterion.

Achieving Consensus

- Quorum: 66% of active committee members (e.g., 16 of 23 members)

Vote	Outcome
Greater than 60% yes	Pass/Recommended
40% - 60% yes	Consensus Not Reached (CNR)
<40% yes	Does Not Pass/Not Recommended

- “Yes” votes are the total of high and moderate votes
- CNR measures move forward to public and NQF-member comment and the Committee will revote during the post-comment web meeting



Committee Quorum and Voting

- Please let staff know if you need to miss part of the meeting.
- We must have quorum to vote. Discussion may occur without quorum.
- If we do not have quorum at any point during the meeting, live voting will stop, and staff will send a survey link to complete voting.
 - ▣ Committee member votes must be submitted within 48 hours of receiving the survey link from NQF staff.
- If a Committee member leaves the meeting and quorum is still present, the Committee will continue to vote on the measures. The Committee member who left the meeting will not have the opportunity to vote on the missed measures.



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Questions?

Voting Test

Consideration of Candidate Measures



0108 : Follow-Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication (ADD)

- **Measure Steward:** NCQA

- ▣ Maintenance measure

- **Brief Description of Measure:**

- ▣ Percentage of children newly prescribed attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) medication who had at least three follow-up care visits within a 10-month period, one of which is within 30 days of when the first ADHD medication was dispensed. An Initiation Phase Rate and Continuation and Maintenance Phase Rate are reported.



2803 : Tobacco Use and Help with Quitting Among Adolescents

- **Measure Steward:** NCQA

- ▣ Maintenance measure

- **Brief Description of Measure:**

- ▣ The percentage of adolescents 12 to 20 years of age with a primary care visit during the measurement year for whom tobacco use status was documented and received help with quitting if identified as a tobacco user.

3572 : Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization (FAPH)

- **Measure Steward:** CMS/Mathematica

- ▣ New measure

- **Brief Description of Measure:**

- ▣ The Follow-Up After Psychiatric Hospitalization (FAPH) measure assesses the percentage of inpatient discharges with principal diagnosis of mental illness or substance use disorder (SUD) for which the patient received a follow-up visit for treatment of mental illness or SUD at 7- and 30-days post-discharge. Patients must be six years of age or older on the discharge date and enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B during the month of the discharge date and at least one month after the discharge date to be included in the measure.

Related and Competing Discussion

Related and Competing Measures

If a measure meets the four criteria and there are endorsed/new related measures (same measure focus or same target population) or competing measures (both the same measure focus and same target population), the measures are compared to address harmonization and/or selection of the best measure.

	Same concepts for measure focus-target process, condition, event, outcome	Different concepts for measure focus-target process, condition, event, outcome
Same target population	Competing measures-Select best measure from competing measures or justify endorsement of additional measure(s).	Related measures-Harmonize on target patient population or justify differences.
Different target patient population	Related measures-Combine into one measure with expanded target patient population or justify why different harmonized measures are needed.	Neither harmonization nor competing measure issue.



0108 Related Measures

- 0106: Diagnosis of ADHD in primary care for school age children and adolescents (Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement)
- 0107: Management of ADHD in primary care for school age children and adolescents (Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement)



2803 Related Measures

- 0027: Medical Assistance With Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation (NCQF)
- 0028: Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention (PCPI Foundation)
- 2600: Tobacco Use Screening and Follow-up for People with Serious Mental Illness or Alcohol or Other Drug Dependence (NCQA)



3572 Related Measures

- 0576: Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH) (NCQA)
- 2605: Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Mental Illness or Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence (NCQA)
- 3488: Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence (NCQA)
- 3489: Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Mental Illness (NCQA)

NQF Member and Public Comment

Next Steps

Activities and Timeline –Spring 2020 Cycle

*All times ET

Meeting	Date, Time
Measure Evaluation Web Meeting #2	June 17, 3-5pm ET
Draft Report Comment Period	July 27- August 25, 2020
Committee Post-Comment Web Meeting	September 21, 3-5pm ET
CSAC Review	November 17-18, 2020
Appeals Period (30 days)	November 23-December 23, 2020



Fall 2020 Cycle Updates

- Intent to submit deadline is August 1, 2020.



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